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Playboy faces the music

Highlands Opera Studio singers Brenden Friesen, as II Commendatore/ Masetto, from left, Geoffrey Schellenberg, as Don Giovanni, Tamar Simon, as Donna Elvira, Lauren Margison, as Donna Anna, and River Guard, as Don Ottavio share a scene where Giovanni is the target of ire in The Leporello Diaries (a shortened version of Mozart's opera, Don Giovanni) on opening night on Thursday, Aug. 19 at Abbey Gardens, located outside West Guilford. There was also a second performance on Friday, Aug. 20. The Highlands Opera Studio provides participants with an operatic experience that equips them with the skills to pursue a career in opera./DARREN

Federal funding opportunity for County tourism sector

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

There's still plenty of time for area businesses and communities to apply for tourism relief funding offered by the federal government to help fund future projects or capital investments.

With \$120 million of \$500 million available over two years for successful southern Ontario region applicants through Canada's regional development agencies and Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED) Canada, there's plenty for local entrepreneurs to get excited about.

The three potential successful applicants must fall into one of these categories - as a key supplier and opera-

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tor in the visitor experience; representative of a defined tourism cluster or tourism dependant community; and offer an anchor product or service in a destination.

This funding, however, is not available to restaurants, retailers and hotel chains.

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Faith and fitness at the heart of Hall of Famer's drive

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The Haliburton Highlands Hall of Fame will inspire the next generation to be great said inductee Amanda Tomlinson, who knows first-hand the challenges that come with being a high performance athlete from a rural community.

As a student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, she remembers seeing the photos of past Female Athlete of the Year winners such as Olympian Lesley Tashlin and accomplished athlete Marla MacNaull, who are also fellow Hall of Fame inductees

"If you're athletic and have a desire in anything, you want to know who those people are on the wall and what their stories were. I think it's so great that they're telling these stories, so [youth can see] it's possible to get an opportunity with a high level sports team," she said.

She recounts when Tashlin visited the secondary school to share her knowledge by leading the track athletes through a fitness session over a weekend, which was around the time she was at her athletic

"When you expose young people to other people who have done well before ... you don't know what you don't know. So once you see that and see what's possible, you want it even more," she said.

Tomlinson said she was flattered when she received the letter and the follow up phone call about her Hall of Fame induction back in June.

"It's an amazing group of athletes. Some of these people have gone on to play NHL and[in] football leagues at high levels, so it was just an honour to be included with this group of individuals,"

The other inductees for the athletes category include MacNaull, Tashlin, Mike Bradley, Ron Stackhouse, Bernie Nicholls, Donald Beverly "Joe" Iles, Glen Dart, Jake Walker, Taly Williams and Cody Hodg-

Faith in God, a love of family and a belief in fitness are key components of Tomlinson's life, which includes Sunday worship and leading a Christian youth group with her husband.

"Faith and fitness ... are the pillars of

our life for sure," she said.

The message for her children is to have a "strong foundation in Christ."

Up until Grade 8 her four boys attended Timothy Christian School until graduating and now attend a public high school.

A healthy lifestyle is the most important aspect for life, she said.

"We even told our kids they didn't have to be specifically athletic, but you model that ... they're wired that way. But having fitness as part of your day ... I always say begin your day with a win and I still do. I make it part of my day. I sleep better. I'm more focused at work. I have four kids. I work full-time. My husband is an entrepreneur, but you make time for it. Life is better. Even if it's just half an hour a day.

Five days a week anyways," she said.

During high school, Tomlinson was an all-around strong athlete who displayed great sportsmanship and worked hard in everything she did.

She competed in track and field, field hockey, badminton, cross country running, and volleyball while at high school. Her strongest track and field achievements came in the jumping events, such as long jump, triple jump and high jump. In 1992, she showed her athletic range with a fourth place finish in the province among singles badminton players. The mother of four boys, who are all engaged with competitive sports, was a leader, earning MVP honours for track and vol-





Above, Hall of Fame inductee Anna Tomlinson, who was a leader off and on the field and track in her respective events, won a national bronze medal in shotput at the university level, competing for York University. Tomlinson also holds the distinction as the only HHSS student to have won the Female Athlete of the Year award three times. Submitted by Anna Tomlinson

Left, Anna Tomlinson is the only three-time Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Áthlete of the Year and is part of the first class of inductees for the Haliburton Highlands

leyball, and holding the captaincy for the HHSS volleyball teams from 1994 to 1996.

Not only a great athlete, Tomlinson was a great student and was school valedictorian in 1995.

Tomlinson, who is the only HHSS athlete to have earned Female Athlete of the Year honours three consecutive years, said work ethic, self-discipline and a drive to fulfill her potential were the keys to her many awards, including a physical advantage over her competition.

"I always joked. I am very tall for a female. So that was one of the things that helped me ... I was determined to do well at track and I just remember not being afraid to work hard. I often went out in my spare and run like ... four times ... around the track to try and be competitive with those clubs in Toronto. A lot of those athletes they trained all year long. In Haliburton we didn't have an indoor track, or anything like that.

This mindset helped propel Tomlinson from the high school track by Head Lake to York University's track team, where she not only was pushed to be her best on the track from 1996 to 2000, but also met her future husband when both were cocaptains for the track team.

Her time there included competition in a variety of track events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, shot put, 60 metre hurdles, 4 x 400 metres and 4 x 200 metres, including the multi-discipline event, heptathlon –100 metres hurdles, high jump, shotput, 200 metres, long jump, javelin throw and 800 metres completed over two days.

When she focused on competing only in the shotput it enabled her to see improved results and her best achievements, which included a second place at the Ontario University Association's championship and then a third place at the Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union (now known as U Sports). It's an amazing accomplishment for an athlete, who didn't compete in this event in high

After finishing outside of the medals the year before, earning her national university bronze was a proud moment that stands as a highlight for Tomlinson in her competitive athletic career.

"I always trained in the multi-events, but in the last couple of years I just focused in on shotput. I just seemed to really excel at shotput and I focused in on that one event and I was able to become stronger ... I changed my training and became stronger and it paid off," she said. "It just felt so good to finally go home with the medal around my neck."

High level sport teaches the impor-

tance of discipline, work ethic and perseverance, which are all transferable in other parts of your life as you grow older, which can benefit you professionally and academically, she said.

Haliburton was a beautiful place to grow up and she is thankful to her parents for the opportunity. The disparity between her facilities and what was available to athletes in the Toronto area was apparent for Tomlinson. She used that to spur her on to work harder to make up for the differences to show she could compete with athletes from the urban areas.

Whether its work, academics or athletics, the return is always relative to the

effort put forth. You're only as good as how much effort you put into it, so you have to have initiative ... I say again you have to have self-discipline because any of these things they only happen because you're determined to get up everyday and put the effort in," she said.

She adds this advice isn't just for athletics, as it is for anything.

During the summers while at university, she returned to the Highlands and fought forest fires with the Ministry of Natural Resources, which helped to pay for her tuition.

"Looking back I sort of wish I had taken the opportunity to stay and compete in the summer, but my situation was I felt I needed to go home and make that money. What an opportunity had I actually stayed and competed on the Ontario team," she said.

It made her wonder what could have

been, if she had the same opportunity as Olympic gold medallist Kelsey Mitchell, who finished on top of the world in women's sprint cycling. She didn't even own a bike four years ago until when she was discovered during the RBC Training Camp qualifier in September of 2017. Mitchell demonstrated her potential by generating 1,300 peak wattage on a stationary bike wearing running shoes during the camp that has athletes from 14 to 25 undergo a series of tests to evaluate their speed, power, strength and endur-

Tomlinson said Canada is a great place where hard work is rewarded.

"I really believe in that, whether you're a female or male, wherever you come from. Yes, there's more opportunity in Barrie, but if you work hard you'll attract the attention or you'll attract a mentor like a Paul Morissette, who will help lead you and guide you to success in some way, she said.

Haliburton was where she felt at home. It was where she found community with the MNR, fighitng fires, but also where Morissette became pivotal to her athletic and academic trajectory.

'My dad passed away when I was 17 and I may not have gone on to university if [Paul] hadn't taken the time to have conversations with me and say, 'Anna you can do it. Here's some ways you can be successful.' And when you have someone believe in you as a young person, that's just huge. It was a difference maker for me and the MNR fire fighting there was a community there of people that I really loved being part of. And coming back and being part of every year, even when I was at university," she said.

Her message to the next generation of athletes is the same as the one she delivers to her own children.

"This is our motto with the kids: kids who do hard things grow up to do great things. So don't be afraid to go for the team to give it a shot, take a risk. Usually the return is good one way or another,'



Bagged food is transferred to a vehicle for The Good Food Box (GFB) program.



A table full of produce is organized for the Good Food Box (GFB) program.



Organizing a healthy option

Rotarian Maureen O'Hara helps sort food, as part of The Good Food Box (GFB) program on Thursday, Aug. 19 at the Haliburton Fire Department hall in Haliburton. Last week, there were 231 bags of food distributed, which includes deliveries to communities throughout the Highlands in all four Haliburton County municipalities. The GFB is a bulk buying program, which provides fresh produce to the community. The program is coordinated by the Rotary Club of Haliburton and also includes volunteers from the community. Contact Brian Nash for more information at 705-455-9388 or email: bri.nash@hotmail.com. / DARREN LÚM Staff



There was a buzz of activity for the Good Food Box (GFB) program on Thursday, Aug. 19 at the Haliburton

Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony postponed until 2022

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

As COVID-19 cases begin to rise again in Ontario and news about the various COVID-19 variants sweep across the globe, there has been a ripple affect related to public health policies implemented by the government and for public event organizers who are trying to stay ahead of the curve.

Locally, the Haliburton Highlands Sports Hall of Fame last week made the decision to postpone the upcoming induction ceremony for its first class of induct-

Hall of Fame chairman and induction ceremony sub-committee member Scotty LaRue said the move was made out of an abundance of caution. Originally scheduled to take place on Oct. 23 at the Pinestone Resort Conference Centre, the ceremony has been pushed off until next

"Sorry to say [it's] because of COVID. Of course I don't think there is any way we can hold the inductee ceremony [where] we were hoping to have at least 200 people. Well, anyways, we decided we would postpone the inductee ceremony and probably have a look at it for maybe, maybe, May or June [2022] depending on circumstances. We haven't made an alternative date just because of that. We didn't want to postpone it twice," he said. "So, we interviewed every inductee and of course they all were disappointed, [just] as we are, but there is absolutely nothing we can do about it ... We worked really hard. We still have things that we're working on for the ceremony. We're working on videos. We're working on the website. We're working on decorating the area in the arena we've designated for our display. We will carry on with all of that and hopefully, by the spring, things have cleared up and we will be able to go ahead and have the cer-

The list of inductees for the Hall of Fame includes in alphabetical order: Mike Bradley, Glen Dart, Cody Hodgson, Don Beverly "Joe" Iles (deceased), Marla Mac-Naull, Bernie Nicholls, Ron Stackhouse, Lesley Tashlin, Anna Tomlinson, Jake Walker and Taly Williams for the athlete category, while builders include Linda J. Brandon, Albert John (Ab) LaRue and Lenny Salvatori. In the team category, the

ies, the 1956 to 1958 Minden Monarchs D champion 1970-1971 team.

list includes the 1934 Haliburton Husk- teams and the Haliburton Huskies Junior



Haliburton pasta business inspired by love, joy and kitchen OG Nonna

GRACE OBORNE

Staff Reporter

For a local resident, spreading love and joy to the people of Haliburton through homemade pasta is the sole purpose of her business.

Just this past April, Daniela Pagliaro, launched her long awaited pasta business called OG Cucina.

Pagliaro's late grandmother, Ortenzia Giordano, is the inspiration behind her business and the name.

"The name of the business is OG Cucina. Cucina is the Italian word for kitchen, and OG, represents my Nonna's initials. She was also the original gangster of the kitchen in our family, so I kind of love the double entendre of that, because in terms of being the original of pasta and food, she was the one in our family," said

Pagliaro makes handmade pasta and sauces, pesto and many more. She makes a variety of pastas such as stuffed pastas, linguine, fettuccine, rigatoni and other

Pagliaro has lived in Haliburton since 1998 when she moved for work. Since then she has travelled to difference places but always found her way back.

"I absolutely love it here. I've lived and worked all over the world, and at the end of the day this is my favourite place and where I've chosen to be," she said.

Pagliaro has always wanted to do something related to food and her culture. Around 10 years ago, when she began her fight against breast cancer, was the first time she scratched the surface with small food businesses.



Haliburton resident Daniela Pagliaro launched her long-awaited pasta business called OG Cucina in April. Pagliaro makes handmade pastas, sauces, and more in her home-based kitchen. /GRACE OBORNE Staff

"Ever since I went through breast cancer the first time about 10 years ago, I started dabbling in gelato. Then over the years, I took a professional course and was just always interested in doing something that was small business food

related, and about my culture,"

Pagliaro enjoys a project that is hands on and creative. She felt that, during the pandemic, she needed to take on some-thing that corresponds with her background in the arts.

"I needed a project that I could do for myself, and for the fun and the therapeutic value of working with my hands. I have a whole background in the arts. I used to be the director of the cultural cen-

tre here, and was the program manager at the Rails End Gallery," said Pagliaro.

"I just have been missing the creative part but can't physically do all that stuff anymore as I'm older and have some physical issues from the breast cancer.

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"I need something that's going to bring that creative energy back into my life. Working with my hands is really therapeutic. I want to also show love like my grandmother did, and how everyone in my family does, which is through food,"

Pagliaro has felt the utmost support and love from the Haliburton community during difficult times. She is using OG Cucina as a way to thank the community for their support.

"In a way, what I'm doing is giving back because, how else could I possibly thank people for everything that they've done for me?

"I wouldn't want to be anywhere else. This is my home. This community is incredible. It's one of the most supportive and collaborative communities I've ever experienced, and I've been in a lot of places," said Pagliaro.

OG Cucina is focused on a porch-pick up method. This means that individuals who want to place an order from Pagliaro, need to sign up to the emailing list. At which point, when the pasta is ready to be sold, an email will arrive in your inbox for you to place an order online.

"People will usually get an email sometime between 5 and 8 p.m. the evening before pickup day, and then once that email drops, my shop goes live with the new items, and people just come and pick

it up.
"When I do the online porch pickup and people have to go online to order it, it's first come, first serve. It usually sells out fast," she added.

When Pagliaro isn't creating batches and stockpiling for porch pickups, she is focused on displaying her business at popups. She just recently had a popup at the Organic Times in Minden on Aug 19. It takes quite a bit of time to create batches of pastas and sauces. Therefore,

her family will often come and help.
"OG Cucina is run by me with help

from my family. My daughter does a lot of the packaging and preparing the boxes, my sister will come from time to time, my parents were just here, and my mom

made the sauce this time.

"It can take a long time, which is why I only have so much that's available and that I can make. That's also why my family will come help me. For example, it's the stuffed pastas that really take a long time because it involves laminating the pasta, and running it through the machine so that it's flat and long," Pagliaro added.

OG Cucina follows an authentic Italian cuisine where Pagliaro handmakes each batch, meaning that each batch is different. The pastas are also safe for those with allergies to eat as well.

"What I offer changes every time. I don't have set things that I do, the same every time. Also, my flour is imported from Italy because I want to use only the best. Everything is as authentic as it can be, like in Italy. That way people who have trouble with gluten are often, but not always okay with it. If you have celiac, it's a whole different thing, but it's very common, including people in my family, who can eat the pasta," said Pagliaro.

OG Cucina is Pagliaro's retirement plan. She hopes to be making authentic İtalian food for the people of Haliburton as long as she can.

"It's just something fun and enjoyable to do that also gives me flexibility and freedom as well. I love it," concluded

The link to sign up for OG Cucina's emailing list can be found on Instagram at www.instagram.com/og_cucina/. If you have any questions, Pagliaro's contact information can be found on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ogcucina/.

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HCDC ready to help entrepreneurs access new federal funding stream

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The accepted projects will focus on product development and destination development.

The Haliburton County Development Corporation's program and operations coordinator, Heather Reid is available to help applicants make their case to gain access to the federal funding, which is part of a \$1 billion pack-

age proposed in the budget from 2021.

"HCDC is certainly here to provide [help], answer questions, provide feedback on applications, help people navigate the rules and all that kind of stuff," she said. "The one challenging piece about both of these funds is that businesses, or not-for-profits have to be incorpo-

Although the majority of businesses in the Highlands area are sole-proprietorship businesses, there are options

"Although, I also think in our area we're pretty good at partnering, so people think creatively about that. The nice thing with this fund is it's pretty significant dollars,"

Per the Government of Canada, businesses could receive non-repayable contributions of up to \$100,000 for up to 50 per cent of eligible costs, or fully repayable contributions up to \$500,000 for up to 75 per cent of eligible costs. Not-for-profit organizations and Indigenous entities (not generating profits) are eligible for non-repayable contributions of up to \$500,000. The funding given will be based on the minimum amount required to carry out a proposed project.

There are several definitions outlined within the applications that businesses can fall under. Reid explained an "anchor" product is the CN Tower in Toronto, or the Sculpture Forest in Haliburton, while a "cluster" can be an organization that represents different businesses and

The HCDC, which provides support to businesses, not-for-profit organizations, and municipalities through loans, counselling, funding, and community economic development has been active in raising awareness about the fund.

"We've tried to be proactive with working with the County tourism office to get the word out and certainly communicating with our clients at HCDC. So, I'm having a back-and-forth with probably, I'm going to say eight or nine organizations that are looking at the applications right now," she said.

Announced back in July, the timing for businesses wasn't particularly ideal when summer demands for services and products in this area are at its highest. However, there's still time to submit an application, with the government, as yet, not implementing a deadline.

"It is a rolling intake so people can certainly, if they're thinking more like the fall, they're welcome to reach back out and we can check in with [the federal government] about the status of the funds at that time, but they're not looking at really announcing any funds until, I would guess, probably early October. So, people do have some time if it's feeling like 'how the heck can I put in an application in the middle of July?' There's still time to get

Reid believes this money is an opportunity for busi-

something in and think it through," she said.

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So for an area like ours that's so heavily reliant on tourism, I think it's an opportunity to get some capital funds, some capital investment in some of the resources that already draw people.

— Heather Reid

nesses to follow through with capital project ideas.

"So for an area like ours that's so heavily reliant on tourism, I think it's an opportunity to get some capital funds, some capital investment in some of the resources that already draw people. So, if you think of where events happen and what kind of infrastructure would be helpful to be able to enhance those for tourism [then you have a good case] because, again, this fund is really talking about developing a destination and modernizing and enhancing 'tourism products'," she said.

Reid believes there are local businesses that have

already invested in capital improvements related to opening or reopening during the pandemic, which could

be partially or completely refunded.

"That's the other nice thing about this fund is you can claim expenses back to April 19, 2021," she said.

This new fund is also about making 2022 prosperous,

"We often think of the tourism season as just the summer, but it's also how you can develop different types of tourism offerings and destinations all year round. So it's not limited ... we've talked about summer examples, but it's not limited to that by any stretch," she said. "It could be about infrastructure for winter tourism and attract people here for the year when we don't normally see lots of traffic."

Winter tourism is more than just snowmobiling here,

Over 10 years, she said, there has been an increased demand for pursuits different than the typical winter activities like snowmobiling. Snowshoeing and dogsledding have certainly increased in popularity, Reid said. Year round draws includes the many art studios, she added. She commends Haliburton County for creating the winter edition of the Hike Haliburton Festival, which expands upon our usual winter draws and offerings.

Although it is less relevant for this area, there is also the Jobs and Growth Fund that enables not-for-profits and for-profits a repayable option for funding activities that support the transition to a green economy; foster an inclusive recovery; preserve Canada's competitiveness and future-proof small and medium-sized enterprises through digital adoption and strengthen capacity in sectors critical to Canada's recovery and growth.

'So, if you had a project that you were really ready to move on and it would be helpful to create some better cash flow over the time frame of the implementation of the project this might be a fit, but it's a bit more of a challenge with the nature and the size of the businesses we have in Haliburton," she said.

For not-for-profits it is up to 90 per cent non-repayable, while businesses could receive interest-free repayable contributions up to 50 per cent, but both still need to fit within the application criteria.

Reid encourages anyone interested in applying for either opportunity to call the HCDC.

"We can certainly put people in touch with a specific [federal] representative and I'm happy to provide feedback on applications. We can't write the application, obviously. Partly it's the passion that people have for their businesses or for what they're doing that really needs to translate into the applications, but we can provide feedback, absolutely," she said.

Reid points out HCDĆ is generally always available to help, whether it's brainstorm ideas, suggestions, facilitate connections within HCDC, or different levels of govern-

"It's really an open door, whether it's a business startup or expansion or survival. It's kind of what we're here to do is help," she said.







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Oblong Lake seen through sunglasses

by Darren Lum

I learned the hard way

TYPICALLY, I try to steer away from dealing with absolutes one piece of advice I took from the great Obi Wan Kenobi – but in this case, I feel I'm quite justified in saying that a trip to the dentist is *never* fun.

That's not to say that it isn't important – it is - but I don't know anyone who actively looks forward to going into an office and having someone poke and prod around inside their mouth, and then pass judgement over the horrors they've seen.

I had to endure a particularly cringeworthy event a couple of weeks ago.

Following what I believed was a fairly routine appointment – a simple cleaning – I was told it would be a good idea for me to have x-rays conducted on my mouth. Having had them done before, I wasn't especially keen to go through the experience again. However, the dentist insisted and I buckled.

I should have known something was up the minute the dental assistant started to focus on one specific area of my mouth – around one of

the molars on my left side. I remember the tooth giving me some problems a number of years ago, but nothing that I considered to be out of the ordinary.

The assistant eventually finished, and within minutes the dentist returned. He did not bring good news.

"Mr. Baker, I'm afraid you have a considerable abscess at the root of your first molar on the left side of your mouth," the dentist said. "I would recommend root canal treatment to save

He must have noticed me wince. I'd been through this song and dance before, a number of years ago at a dental practice in Orangeville. Then, I had agreed to have the root canal done. Three hours I spent laying in an almost vertical position, with all manner of objects and devices in and around my mouth, holding things together while

the dentist carried out his work.

It was, at best, an uncomfortable experience. One made worse when I was presented with my bill following the procedure. I knew root canals were expensive, but I wasn't expecting the number that was staring at me on the sheet of paper. It was the equivalent of a weeklong all-inclusive vacation in the Caribbean for two.

Despite this, I knew I had to have the root canal done. You see, back in my teen years, I had the second molar on the left side removed after breaking it during a soccer game. I didn't think it would be a good idea to have that big of a hole in my mouth at my rela-

tively young age. So I booked the appointment.

A few weeks later I went in. Everything was going to plan. Then, a bit of a crunch and a sigh from the dentist. My tooth had calcified to such a point that his instruments could not access my root canals. He referred me to a specialist endodontist. Again, this was not good

Four further appointments, and more than

\$4,000 later, I sit here with a root canal treated, filled and crowned tooth. If I'm being perfectly honest, it doesn't feel any different than it did six weeks

done. Had I simply left the abscess, it could have burst, entered my blood stream and, potentially, killed me. It could have eaten away at my jaw, leaving me physically disfigured. I guess, considering those possibilities, it was \$4,000 well spent.

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mike baker

ago, before this whole process began. But, again, something needed to be

The moral of this story – take care A fact I had to learn the hard way.

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Buying and selling

THERE WAS a feeling of anticipation in the air, like horses pulling on their bits, eager to get started. Overhead the clouds hung heavy and low, threatening rain or worse, but still only teasing whoever happened to look up. People and vehicles rushed everywhere, hauling out this, laying out that, some cursing at uncooperative tables and tents.

And slowly the deluge began. Of people, not weather. It was the farmers market during a pandemic which meant all the old rules were out the window. Instead of an official start time when customers could begin to buy, it was a free-

Harried vendors, in the middle of arranging their wares, were asked about price, size, quantity and payment options. Customers, afraid their favourite produce would sell out quickly,

moved swiftly through the market trying to beat competitors. Long lineups snaked around tables and trailers while people attempted to social distance.

However there were some who were having a great old time. They came in every size, colour and conformity. Old acquaintances were greeted, new ones made. Territory was marked, the odd threat voiced but most of all it was a time of exhilaration and discovery. The farmers' market dogs were hav-

ing a sociable, scent-filled experience and the wagging tails and curious sniffs told the story.

Jessica watched it all unfold. This was the first time she had been to the market and hadn't known what to expect. But since the sky was overcast and she had time on her hands, she had decided to forgo her cottage dock and head to town. Her cousin Ernie was selling tomatoes and herbs so Jessica had volunteered to give him a hand. Although he had warned her it could be busy, she figured she could handle the pressure. After a week lolling around by the lake, it might be fun to try something different.

And different it was. As she helped Ernie make change and fill paper bags, she watched the world pass by. People and their dogs. Every shade, proportion and attire, both human and canine. High-stepping pure breds with fancy harnesses and maybe a jaunty bandana circling the neck. Matted mutts with friendly faces and no teeth. Old baggy pants and stained t-shirts that had been hanging on a hook at the cottage for millennium. Designer leisure wear. Tattoos, sunburns, the lumps and white whiskers

of age. She saw it all. A great Dane, all sleek muscle and dignity was being harassed by a furry terrier-mix. Two Goldens were eyeing each other as they approached the dog treats vendor. Who would get there first? Meanwhile the woman with the perfectly cut hair and tailored summer dress tapped her foot impatiently while a man in very old shorts tried to decide his cantaloupe choice.

The air was filled with smells of every kind as dogs and people shouted out greetings, questions or requests. And

every so often there would be a loud splash as some fearless youngster – almost always male- took a leap off the footbridge and into the river. Because this market was set up with water as its backdrop. The village lake sprawled beside the market, a river mean-dered at its back and a limestone fountain gurgled merrily in the mix. Young children and dogs were drawn to all three while anxious parents, new to the scene, weren't sure if it was safe for

their charges. But it was. It was safe and fun and healthy and chock-full of life. What a treat, thought Jessica, to be able to take a break from her usual city life and be here at this particular time. Such a respite from heavy-feeling news reports, health worries and the uncertainty that seemed to stalk everyone like an ogre in the night.

The crowd ebbed and flowed much like the water, sometimes pushing a little insistently other times hesitantly unsure of where to go next, what temptation to give in to. Pies or carrots or maybe both? And the dogs, tongues hanging out in the heat, always sniffing for that small piece of something dropped on the ground. After all, the farmers' market was always hiding a surprise or two.



sharon lynch

points of view

Doggos

NE OF THE greatest flaws of the human race is our irresistible urge to never leave well enough alone. For some reason, we cannot help fixing things that are not broken.

Take, for instance, the word "dog"

I think we can all agree that there is nothing wrong with that word. It's succinct, easy to spell and pretty well universal – and it is so ingrained in the English language that there is no confusion when someone says it. It is one of the first words children learn to read and spell. There is no fat on it. It is pleasant.

Yes, "dog" is a fine example of a good word.

Yet recently, there has been a growing movement led by some learned individuals in the online community to replace it with the word "doggo".

That means, the brain trust of social media influencers, who routinely introduce new English terms such as "on fleek" decided that the word dog wasn't good enough. Who can say

I suspect the meeting went something like this.

ing this emergency meeting of the Complicating the English Language committee. Do we have any new words to consider or even old ones to revive?" "Yes," someone on the commit-

tee probably said. "What about "Interesting," the chairperson

"Thanks everyone for attend-

replied. "Does this word refer to what a dog does on your front lawn or the words you say when shooing

"Neither," the word inventor replies. "It's just a cooler way to say dog. People on Instagram will love

it. It's new. It's different. It's fresh!'

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"So it means the exact same thing as 'dog' but sounds dumber and uses more letters?"

"Yes," the proponent would reply.

"Great. That's just what the world needs now. It's in." That was a few months ago and now the hashtag "doggo" has 26.8-million posts. (Full disclosure: I have no idea what that sentence means, but I'm putting it out there, just in case it

The good news is I have never heard anyone actually use the word "doggo" except online, so it appears to be contained at the moment. The bad news is I expect it will soon be one of those phrases I will hear several times a day from now on, much like "If you weren't dozing off, what did I just say?"

Call me a traditionalist, but I will stubbornly stick to the

word "dog" until the day I die.
First off, the word "doggo" is one syllable longer. If I needed a two-syllable word for "dog", I would use the word canine, just as God intended.

Secondly, the word "doggo" is just the thin edge of the

There's no doubt in my mind that if the word "doggo" catches on, the word "froggo" is next. After that, it's pandemo-

Seriously, do you really want to have to hear someone say, "Look! There is a froggo on a loggo in the boggo"?

I don't mean to sound alarmist, but that is the bleak dystopian future that awaits us should the term "doggo" makes its way into the mainstream. That's why we must all do our part to stop this from ever happening. Before it's too late.

So, what can you do about it?

Well, first immediately and sternly correct anyone who utters the word. Slap them lightly with a white glove if you have to. Then, tell them that the creature they are referring to is, and has always been, a dog.

After that, remind them that, if there is a doggo, there has to be a froggo and perhaps even a hoggo. And no one wants that. Convey what is at stake.

Lastly, tell them it would be on fleek if we stopped using made-up words.



pic of the past

photo of Harry Brohm and his son Paul standing in front of the old Kosy Korner restaurant in Haliburton. The pair had been fishing on Drag Lake, and caught a 20 lb. trout. The photo was taken around 1950. Submitted by Paul Brohm.

letters to the editor

Do something before it's too late

To the Editor,

It has come to my attention the amount of mineral gathering going on in Tory Hill, along the Gibson Road trail.

We have watched across the lake for the last two years as hundreds of cars have come in and out with LOADS of rocks. Grocery bag after grocery bag, or whole truck beds laden with bins and buckets full to the brim.

What happened to conservation?

I'm proud to hail from Haliburton County, and under the tutelage of David Mowat, our high school biology teacher, we learned the importance of conservation and taking stewardship over our natural resources and the surrounding wildlife. Mr. Mowat taught us that everything is connected, from the tiniest insect to the largest carnivore, and the importance each one has in maintaining balance and a healthy ecosystem.

As a child and now with my own young daughters I have enjoyed hiking and mountain biking up the Gibson trail. In the spring we harvest leeks - no more than we need to make soup for dinner that evening. I have allowed my girls to wander the hills and pocket the occasional 'special' rock to take home and add to their treasures, all the while, teaching them that they should never take more than they need. We always ensure that we leave Mother Earth better than when we arrived, often picking up discarded food wrappers, bottles and broken rock-picking tools.

One recent evening, my daughter and I ventured across to Gibson for the first time since last fall, and to our dismay, the hillside of the Gibson Occurrence has been completely pillaged. The hillside is amuck with trampled greenery turned to mud, and large, otherwise-healthy trees fallen over from rock hounds digging at the soil around their root systems. The root systems which are rich in phosphate and ideal for creating highly-soughtafter, pale green apatite crystals. What used to be hills with rocks jutting out from healthy grass, moss and lichen, are rubble piles of less-worthy souvenirs lacking desired retail value.

On our way out of the trail, we came across two, expensive SUVs with out-of-town plates and two middle-aged women struggling to carry four, re-

usable grocery bags filled to the brim with rocks and crystals; you cannot tell me that these were for a personal collection, but to be cleaned up and sold for a tidy, zero-overhead profit- the very

When asking them why they needed so much, they became very arrogant in saying it was none of my business, and according to a Facebook group and a YouTube video that they were entitled to take what they wanted. Upon looking up 'Tory Hill' on YouTube, one will immediately find videos boasting "an incredible crystal vein" and "finding buried treasure in Tory Hill, ON" - a video that has been viewed over 32,000 times. The perfect explanation for the commotion of cars we started seeing across the lake shortly after the video was posted in spring of 2020. Ever since then, people have come in droves from all over the country to massacre the hills at the Gibson Occurrence, with zero regard for sustainability or the safety of others.

The township of Highlands East lists this location as a point of interest for eager rock hounds, even posting a map with facts and information on what to look for. However, I don't believe they planned on the amount of devastation that is happening there for personal gain. Being out of public sight, with next to no monitoring, it is no large wonder the hillside is in the shape it is in. With so many large trees with compromised root systems on the steep slope of the hillside, it is only a matter of time before a breeze blows the right way and one falls and either causes serious injury or takes

As a child who used to love to play in those hills and feel the absolute magic, mystery, reverence and untouched beauty there, I am heartbroken at the scene that greets me there now, like a quiet and dispirited sadness.

Please do something before it's too late, and everything is lost beyond repair. Teach visitors the importance of respect and conservation by putting safeguards in place.

> Racheal Outram **Tory Hill**

Federal Election 2021

Jamie Schmale hopes to 'seize opportunity' in upcoming election

STEPHEN PETRICK

Special to the Echo

Jamie Schmale has an opportunity on Sept. 20 -- to be re-elected for a third term as Member of Parliament for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, this time, maybe, as a member of the ruling party.

But when asked about the election, the Conservative puts his own ambitions aside and speaks frankly; he believes a federal election now isn't in Canadians' best interests.

A motion passed in the House of Commons this spring, he said, called for MPs to get through the pandemic before an election is called.

"Unfortunately, the prime minister saw an opening in the polls and he decided to call an election," Schmale said, arguing the decision was irresponsible given that an election would turn attention away from forest fires ravaging B.C. and the crisis in Afghanistan. "He (Prime Minister Justin Trudeau) does not deserve a majority (government.).'

But, given the situation, Schmale is prepared to campaign. The one-time radio news anchor is seeking a third term in office, after two terms as an Opposition MP. He was first elected to serve the riding in 2015 and was re-elected in 2019, when the Andrew Sheer-led Conservatives won 119 seats and bumped Trudeau's Liberals from a majority to minority government.

Among the four pillars of the Conservative Party's platform is a call for greater accountability in Ottawa.



Conservative nominee Jamie Schmale will be seeking to secure a third term as MP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock in the Sept. 20 federal election.

Schmale said he supported O'Toole in the two previous Conservative Party leadership races and believes that having a prime minister in a neighbouring riding -- O'Toole represents Durham -- would be advantageous for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock.

'He's someone who knows rural Canada. His chief of staff has a cottage in this area. He knows what's going on."
When asked about his top priority, if

takes this job seriously. He came from a

blue-collar family. He's the upbringing of a single parent. He's had to fight for eve-

rything he has in life."

re-elected, Schmale points out that his first task would be the same, whether his party is part of the government or still in Opposition; that is to speak with ministers in charge of rural affairs to advocate for improved high-speed internet access and cellular service in the riding.

An ongoing project, known as the East-ern Ontario Regional Network, has made gains in this area, but more work needs to be done, Schmale said, as there are still some service area gaps

"Their goal now, is 'let's fix this for the foreseeable future' so we're not dealing with this every five years, so we can say 'hey, our work is done for decades."

Moving the country -- and the riding -- into economically successful post-pandemic life is also a priority.

Schmale touted the Conservative plan to support small businesses that were hurt by lockdowns. That includes a "GST holiday" in December, to encourage shoppers to buy local and other incentives for shoppers to support traditional "brick and mortar" stores.

Schmale is optimistic that good economic times are ahead after months of pandemic hardships, which is why he's encouraging voters to think about which party is best suited to move the economy ahead, and pay down the debt that Canada has amassed.

"We print money out of thin air and we can't do that forever -- we need to get some fiscal responsibility back," he said, adding that the Conservatives are proposing a plan to balance the federal budget within five to 10 years, based on having a strong economy.

"We can start scaling back and actually balance the budget and be responsible, so kids now aren't facing massive cuts later or massive taxincreases," Schmale concluded.

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With Erin O'Toole now leading the

Conservative Party, Schmale has an

opportunity to endorse a new candidate

for prime minister. Schmale acknowledges it's been tough for the Conserva-

tives to promote O'Toole, as the pandemic

has limited him to mostly virtual town

hall-like events, but says, "one thing I've

learned, is never count out a military vet."

He continued, "You need someone who

Schmale said. "We have to make laws that

make it tougher for politicians to cozy up to groups like WE and punish their ene-

mies and reward their friends.

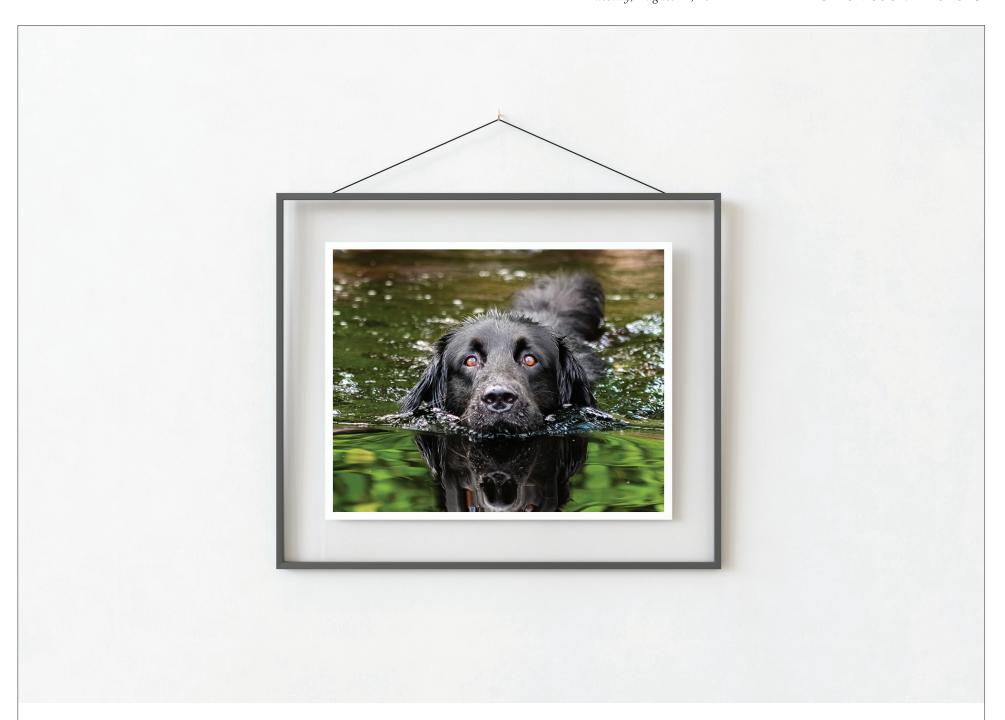
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Federal Election 2021

Green candidate wants to offer an alternative to 'frustrated voters'

STEPHEN PETRICK

Special to the Echo

Angel Godsoe says she has noticed a worrying trend in recent years. As she speaks to voters, she finds that many are so frustrated with the big parties that they're considering not voting at all.

"That disappointed me. It made me sad and it made me want to find out why," said Godsoe, the Green Party candidate for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock in the Sept. 20 federal election.

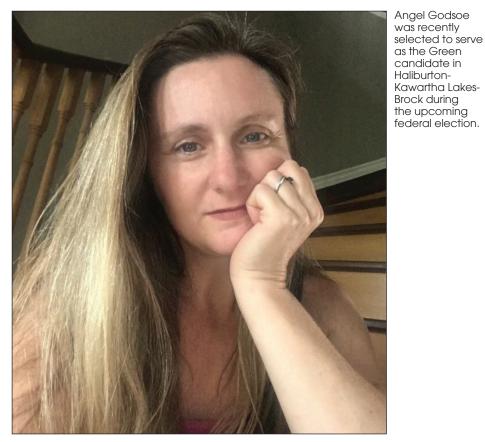
That longing for answers drove her to become involved with the Greens. She realized that the party represents an option for voters who feel disconnected from the Liberals, Conservatives and New Democratic Party

She's trying to get the message out that voters who care about the environ-ment and other social issues, have a viable option and shouldn't feel they have to "vote against" a candidate or not vote at

"We should be able to vote based on

our conscious," she said, optimistically. Godsoe, a mother of nine children, runs the Lindsay-based horse boarding stable Heaven's Gait. It's her first time running in an election, but she worked on the campaign of Elizabeth Fraser, who ran for the Greens in the same riding in the 2019 federal election.

Fraser finished fourth in the race with 8.4 per cent of the vote. It marked the highest percentage of votes the Green Party had earned in the riding, since



become a consistent party in 2004

Godsoe feels this could be a break-through election for the Green Party. She said that she and other Green Party candidates are in the races to win and not just make a dent in polling numbers.

She feels Canadians are now, literally,

seeing with their own eyes the effects of climate change, through natural disasters. Karen Hillis, the CEO of the local Green Party association, while sitting in on the interview, added " if you look at the last three decades of politics in Canada and the flipping back and forth, we

candidate in

have yet to, as a country, meet our emissions (reduction) targets.

There's no time - it is now or never. This is the moment where people have to

vote for what they want."

That said, the Green Party is not solely focused on the environment. The party's platform is also based on helping the country recover from the pandemic.

"We want an economic recovery that is fair and just for everyone," Godsoe said. "Even before COVID we had ideas like forgiving student debt, the livable income. As we recover from COVID, we don't want to have people left behind and struggling. Our ethics have been this way all along, to be fair and inclusive ... let the small businesses recover and give them incentive to stay in business and to ride this out."

It's been a tumultuous year for the Green Party. New party leader Annamie Paul has had to withstand internal opposition – there was nearly a non-confidence vote within Green Party members, and other legal battles have devoted resources away from the campaign -- but Godsoe stresses she was not one of the people dissatisfied with the new leader.

"She's wonderful; I'm a big fan of her and I love her," she said. "She's passionate, she's articulate. She's really in touch with the needs and the values of her constituents."

Godsoe asks voters that they give Paul a chance -- and give the Green Party a

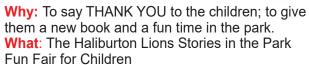
"We need all the exposure we can get," she said. "We need the word out there that there is an alternative."

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Federal Election 2021

Liberal candidate Judi Forbes offers business mindset and small-town heart

STEPHEN PETRICK

Special to the Echo

Judi Forbes tells people she "has a business head, but a social heart."

This personality, she feels, makes her the ideal candidate for Member of Parliament for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, when Canadians go to the polls on Sept. 20.

Forbes is running under the Liberal banner again, two years after being defeated by Conservative Jamie Schmale in the 2019 federal election.

"I grew up in a small town in Southern Ontario, It was the kind of town where your reputation meant everything. We had fun, we worked hard, we helped out neighbours," she said. "So I have some small-town values that I've carried with me my whole life, whether it's in my parenting career or business career.'

The town Forbes is referring to is Galt, Ont., which is now part of Cambridge. She would later have a lengthy career in the banking industry in Toronto – she held senior roles for TD – before moving, with her husband, to Brock Township. Forbes was operating a bed and breakfast from her home in Beaverton, until the pandemic hit. After it became more of a home for her four young adult children, who, like many their age, were struggling through the COVID year. In Beaverton, she also serves as treasurer for the Brock Board of Trade.

Beating Schmale this time will be a tall order. In 2019, Forbes won 26 per cent of the vote, compared to Schmale's 49 per cent. To win this time, she'll likely have to



"I do have to make up a big gap," she said. "But this riding is changing ... Every time we run, we make up more ground, there are more and more progressive thinking people that are moving into this riding, so it's not undoable."

Forbes says she's attracted to the Liberal Party because she feels it's the only party that can appropriately balance the needs of the economy with the needs of the environment. She also believes Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, seeking re-election for a second time, has the right personality to lead Canada.

"I honestly believe he has a kind heart and truly cares; it's not just about politics

and winning, it's about Canada and doing the best for Canadians and our reputation worldwide," she said.

She points out that that the Trudeau government was in a tough spot when the pandemic hit but acted quickly to set up programs like the Canadian Émergency Relief Benefit. "I think Canadians understand that. We took early and strong action, without that people would have lost their homes.'

Forbes now hopes to have an opportunity to fix problems that the pandemic has

highlighted.
With a parent in a long-term care home, herself, she feels more attention needs to be given to that sector.

it was devastating," she said. "There needs to be a focus on long-term care and national standards set."

She is also a proponent of social programs that can help people escape poverty, noting that a Universal Basic Income pilot project once run in Lindsay, but scrapped by the provincial Progressive Conservative government, is worth

exploring.

"That program helped so many folks in that community," he said. "It was not a handout. They (program participants receiving money) went back to school or it covered them for a short time when they were disabled. People will use this program for a short period of time to get them over a difficult time and then they move on - 99.99 per cent of people want to work and contribute.

Forbes believes that now is a good time for an election. With Canada, hopefully, moving out of a pandemic, Canadians need to ask themselves which party should have the right to govern now.

"The Canada we were in prior to the pandemic, it didn't work for everyone,'

"The pandemic has really illustrated the (inequalities) in scale for women, minorities, LGBTQ (communities). Those people have been more adversely impacted. How do we fix that? Who is the best party to do that?

Forbes argues it's the Liberal Party.

"This is the right time to have an election," she said. "We're learning how to manage this pandemic better."



Curling season begins Monday October 4.

Registration for existing members who want to sign up in person Wed Sept 8 3pm - 7pm.

*Please bring proof of vaccination if not already emailed.

New member registration Thurs Sept 9 3pm - 7pm. *Must bring proof of vaccination.

New curlers Learn To Curl Clinic is Saturday October 2 from 10am until 3pm. Attendance is mandatory to be placed on a team. No exceptions.





Haliburton Curling Club takes lead with mandatory vaccination rule

Haliburton Curling Club president Kent Milford said they're planning for a returnto-play that will require its members prove they have received double-vaccination for COVID-19. Milford said there are plans to meet with Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit staff about specific protocols later this month. The hope is to have neighbouring clubs (Fenelon Falls and Bobcaygeon) and other Highlands' clubs such as Minden and Wilberforce follow their lead to enable crossclub competitions and ensures the safety of everyone./DARREN LUM



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Staff Reporter

As companies and professional sports teams such as the Toronto Blue Jays move ahead with mandatory vaccination for employees and fans to enter their buildings and venues, the Haliburton Curling Club is taking the lead here in regards to a return to curl plan this coming season when it starts in October.

The club's president Kent Milford said this isn't part

of trying to violate anyone's human rights, as it is part of an effort to keep everyone of its more than 200 mem-

"I think it's an unassailable position to say we're putting the health and safety above all. We're maximizing safety and maximizing health and the best way we can do that is to say we're all vaccinated," he said. "So, human rights? I don't think anybody has the right to affect someone else's health and unvaccinated people, I think the science is clear, are putting everyone's health at risk as well as their own. That's the core to this."
Part of the plan includes respect for privacy.

When registering, returning members and prospective members are being asked to submit their proof of vaccination electronically to a club email address that was created specifically for this year, which is only seen by the the president and an individual hired to handle information technology

He continues, "We don't force anyone to do anything, but we're saying, if you want to curl, for us to have the safest environment possible, we're asking you to be vaccinated and be willing to show it."

Last year, the club took a stance against allowing curlers from curling anywhere but Haliburton.

"Ultimately, we were vindicated for taking that position because other places ultimately followed and other leagues, in Toronto and [places] like that, got shut

So far he said he had one prospective member voice an opposition to the proof of vaccination required.

Although there is an upcoming meeting between health unit representatives and representatives from the clubs of Haliburton, Minden, Wilberforce, Fenelon Falls and Bobcaygeon later this week on Aug. 26 in Haliburton, the club in Haliburton has already been telling anyone interested in curling to prove their vaccination.

Milford said the club is working on its plan to return to curl, but will abide by whatever the health unit recommends.

"Tell us what we need to do. We'll do anything you want us to do - you're the boss - but this is what we think we want to do and what we'd like to have is .. we'll retain social distancing and when it comes to the bar we'd like to be able to have a six-foot social distancing rule, or invoke the same rules that restaurants now have in terms of a bar. Keep your space, but when you're sitting at a table you can do so reasonably with other patrons," he said.

Down the road from Haliburton, the Minden Curling Club is looking to reopen too.

Club president Robert Peacock said the members are ready to return to play and plan to follow the Haliburton lead.

"If you want to curl, get vaccinated," he said. "Our first letter out to our club members was you have to be vaccinated to curl."

Before taking the mandatory vaccination stance there were plenty of "maybes," but now there are close to 20 per cent more curlers ready to register, he said.

Peacock points out there are other curling clubs now, who have learned about the Haliburton plan as a possible model to follow.

"It boils down to the health department," he said. "I mean Kent has a great [rapport] with them. Kent is a great speaker and can write things up [well] and he said, 'Robert, you just do what you do and I'll look after this part of it and we'll just go on."

At the club's recent board meeting, they decided to not have a junior curling program for curlers under the age of 12. However any individual 12 and over that is double vaccinated will be permitted to register. This includes the curlers, who are part of the Red Wolves Team.

The president said how many curlers register will be the determinant to what leagues and offerings will be available this season.

"Are we going to [have] enough numbers to operate every league, or we going to have to bring it down a bit just so that it's feasible for everybody to curl? You don't want to go out to the ice with only 10 people out there,"



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Crossword brought to you by

Haliburton 'a model to follow' for curling clubs looking to hit the rings

from page 12

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The club in Minden expects to be ready for curling the week after Thanksgiving. Numbers this season will be affected by what rules the health unit wants to be implemented, he added.

If they came back and said, 'No, we've decided that you've got to wear masks on the ice.' Then it will very significantly impact the number of people who decide

to curl this year," he said.

Milford said members are hoping to not wear masks and believe it can be safely done with proof of vaccination.

After hosting a little more than 50 per cent of members, including 15 Minden club members last season, starting on Dec. 1 with COVID-19 protocols, which included sanitization and temperature checks upon entry, the club is confident about moving forward with its plan.

Milford hopes other clubs in the area follow their lead to enable competitions that includes members from outside the

"If other curling clubs decide they don't think that vaccination can be mandated then their curlers won't be allowed to come here and we won't go there and it will kill the 4 [Town] League and it'll defi-

nitely impact any bonspiels," he said.

The 4 Town League included members from all four clubs: Minden, Haliburton, Bobcaygeon and Fenelon Falls.

Milford said there are a few challenges with the alternate concept of employing an honour system for proof of vaccina-

"People have said to me I do not want to curl if I can't be sure the person next to me is vaccinated and is healthy as possible," he said. "Well, the only way to be sure is to prove it and I've had individuals say, 'I'll only come back and curl if the maximum safety that I can possibly have. To me the maximum safety that you can have [is to be vaccinated]."

Wilberforce Curling Club, with its 40 members and two sheet facility, is holding off on any decisions about return to play until after the health unit meeting, said president Gord Fitch.

"That will be of importance to our decision making process from the results of

that meeting," he said.

He added an executive meeting will

be held following the Aug. 26 meeting, including conducting a member survey. Safety of the community and the club's members, who are anxious to curl again in Wilberforce, is our concern, he adds.

"I'll guard that with we'll see what the response is also," he said. "Yes, I've talked to a number of our members and they're all 'are we going to curl?' They want to curl, but I want to temper that with like anything in this world we'll see what the response is towards our email, vaccination and that."

The fourth year president said the Haliburton club serves as a model for how things can operate safely.

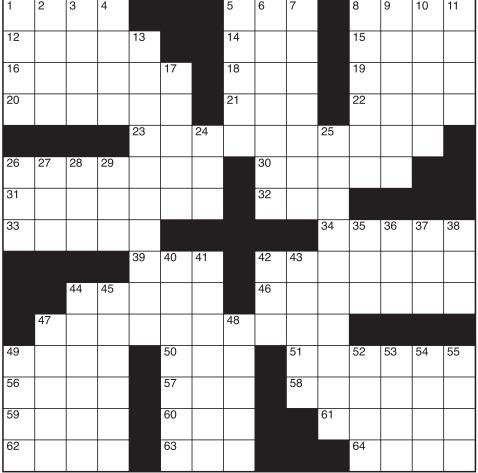
'We're learning from the way things went for those guys when they were opened last year," he said. "We want to open, but we have to be aware of the costs involved ... to do the right things and keep it under the health guidance to keep it sterile and sanitize with the rocks and the boards and social distancing etc. that would all fall under the ministry of

With the club's building owned by the township, the club is required to defer to the guidelines that are outlined by the Ministry of Health.

Fitch said it came down to a lack of club meetings, as to why the Wilberforce club was a "little more cautious" and didn't just go ahead with plans like Haliburton.

"At this point we just haven't had as many meetings as those folks," he said. "On our last executive meeting the board of health was one of the things [and] protecting our membership was a big a question. One of the items about it was to talk to them and that's what's happening. We're not looking to put the horse before the cart type of thing and that's we are waiting until next Thursday [Aug. 26] and then things will accelerate from there.'

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- 5. Part of (abbr.)
- 8. At the peak
- 12. African antelope
- 14. Expression of satisfac-
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- 18. A baglike structure
- 19. Utah Jazz coach Sny-
- 20. Actress Tomei
- 21. Explosive
- 22. Formal for "on"
- 23. Cruelties 26. Country singer Brad
- 30. Make very happy 31. Binary compound of
- hydrogen with a metal
- Albanian currency
- 33. Subatomic particle
- 34. Type of salt
- 39.007's creator
- 42. Emerging
- 44. Railroad flare
- 46. Observed
- 47. Capable of reproduction
- 49. Indicates adjacent to
- 50. Legendary Notre Dame coach
- 51. Not wide

- 56. An embarrassing mistake
- 57. Pearl Jam's debut album
- 58. Denotes passerine birds
 - 59. Stumble
- 60. Midway between east and southeast
- 61. W. Indian trees
- 62. You
- 63. Pigpen
- 64. Be aware of

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Crease
- 2. "Honey" actress Jessica
- 3. Broad volcanic crater 4. Product safety watch-
- 5. Southern Colombian city
- 6. Part of a church
- 7. Perceptible by touch
- 8. Pronounce not guilty of criminal charges
 - 9. Hairpiece
 - 10. Variety acts
- 11. "Mystic River" actor Sean
- 13. Remove salt
- 17. Went out with

- 24. Type of bread
- 25. Popular Eagles song
- 26. Philosophy degree
- 27. Yes vote
- 28. Passports and licenses are two
- 29. No seats available
- 35. Pounds per square
- 36. A way to launch an attack on
- 37. The lowest cardinal number
 - 38. Popular Miller beer
 - 40. Pokes holes in
 - 41. Closest to
 - 42. Folk singer DiFranco
- 43. RivneÕs former name
- 44. Flat ruler
- 45. Lacking the means to o something
 - 47. Cockatoo
- 48. Dred Scott decision deliverer
- 49. Explosion exclamation
- 52. Canadian flyers
- 53. Houston university
- 54. At some prior time 55. Red, swollen mark

Answers on page 14



Last year, the Haliburton Curling Club operated with COVID-19 protocols, which included mask wearing on the ice during play. This year the club is hoping they can operate without masks based on getting members prove they've been vaccinated./DARREN LUM Staff FILE





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Federal Election 2021

Miller says NDP platform 'the best for working people and families'

STEPHEN PETRICK

Special to the Echo

Zac Miller is back for the NDP -- and when fielding questions on the big federal election issues, whether it's health care, climate change or economics, the 24-yearold answers with confidence and conviction.

He says the NDP's Green New Deal, which would support the growth in environmentally-friendly energy projects, would boost Canada's economy by creating jobs and help meet emissions reduction targets. He also passionately pleas for new national standards for longterm care and legislation that would force private longterm care homes that fail its residents to become government run.

This election didn't have to happen but now that it has, we're taking an opportunity to present the NDP and a realistic and achievable platform that resonates with the average person and average family," he said. "We present the most ambitious, the most workerfriendly, the most family-friendly platform.'

When Miller appears on the ballot as the NDP representative for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock in the Sept. 20 federal election, it will mark his second time running. He ran in the riding as an NDP candidate in the 2018 provincial election.

He has since graduated with a Political Science degree from Ontario Tech University and is set to start working on a Masters of Information degree at the University of Toronto this fall.

He acknowledges he's the youngest candidate in the race but tries to not to make a big deal of it and instead works to convince voters that he knows the issues, is passionate and has skills and experiences that would benefit him if elected as a Member of Parliament.

He has served as a member of the Kawartha Lakes Health Coalition and has become a strong advocate for



Zac Miller returns to be the NDP candidate for the NDPs in Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock

the need of small rural hospitals to remain independent and resist amalgamation into large regional health care organizations.

I will aggressively fight and advocate for the Ross

Memorial and HHHS to stay community hospitals," he

He also believes the federal government needs to work on solutions to ensuring young graduates, like himself, don't enter the work world carrying thousands of dollars in student debt; a problem, he says, that affects both young people and parents who sup-

At the crux of NDP strategies is a belief that the wealthy are not taxed enough and wealth must be redistributed to ensure everyone has a brighter future. Miller noted that the NDP is calling for people with wealth of \$10 million or more to be taxed an additional

1 per cent.
"That's one penny for every dollar above 10 million," he said. "I don't think that's too much to ask when we have a climate emergency and a disjointed health care system."

The riding of Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock is not an easy one to win for anyone not riding under a Conservative banner. The riding has gone blue federally in every election since 2004, with the NDP candidate coming in either second or third each time

But Miller, who came in second place in the 2018 provincial election, says he and his NDP colleagues are running campaigns with the intention of winning and giving voters a realistic platform to get behind.

He also believes NDP leader Jagmeet Singh, who led the party to winning 24 seats in the House of Commons in 2019, is a leader Canadians can connect with.

"Over the last few years, he's the one candidate who has connected and resonated with people," he says, adding that Singh's strategy is always to find common ground with voters and move issues forward in a posi-

"He has the energy and know how to be an effective prime minister, if given a chance," Miller concluded.

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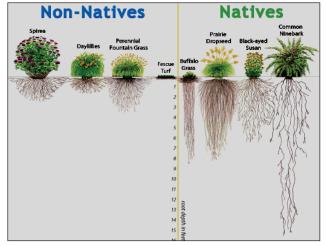
Non Native plants are not well suited to life in the Highlands and therefore need more work and additives than native plants.

- Water something the experts say we may soon be
- Fertilizer- polluting our water and costing us money Cutting and trimming – adding to Global warming

These extra inputs add nutrients to our lakes increasing algae and weed growth, thereby decreasing the oxygen that fish need.

Grass does not provide any habitat for the species that we all love such as frogs, toads, butterflies, humming

Perhaps the biggest downside with grass is that it



harms the health of our precious lakes. Why is it that there are all those reasons above but the biggest one is that grass does not do a good job of intercepting and absorbing nutrients before they get to our lakes. Nutrients such as Phosphorus come from:

- Our bodies, through our septic systems
- Our pets, fertilizer use, wildlife such as geese, birds
- Rainfall has two to four times as much Phosphorous as lake water

This picture shows why native plants absorb far more nutrients than non-native species such as grass

While grass roots extend mere inches into the soil, the roots of native species extend many feet into the soil, searching for and absorbing nutrients such as phosphorous before they can damage our lakes. These long roots also do a better job of preventing erosion.

So why not take an area of your grass and plant it with native plants to help protect our lakes! You can start with a small area and then add more area over the years. Every little bit will help your lake where you, your kids and grandchildren can make new memories!

Author Paul MacInnes is Chair of the C.H.A

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19-year-old Adam Bacik launched his woodworking business in the Haliburton Highlands on Aug. 3. Bacik's business uses live edge wood to build custom charcuterie boards, signs, and more. /GRACE OBORNE Staff

Canning Lake creations comes from passion for woodworking

GRACE OBORNE

Staff Reporter

The only way to do great work, is to love what you do and for 19-year-old Adam Bacik, that has always been his motivation.

On Aug. 3, Bacik launched his very own woodworking business called Adam Bacik Builds, where he sells custom live edge designs from small pieces such as charcuterie boards, lake signs, custom signs, and trays to larger pieces such as wine racks, benches, and much more.

Bacik was born and raised in Toronto, but spends a lot of his time in Haliburton County. As a fourth generation cottager, all of Bacik's products are made in Haliburton from his cottage workshop on

"My mom's side of the family came to the area in 1933, and I've been coming up for as long as I can remember. I spend a lot of my time in the Minden and Haliburton area and love what the community has to offer," said Bacik.

Bacik has always had a passion for working with natural materials to create handmade products.

"I've always been interested in woodworking and using my hands. I also really enjoy working with natural materials such as wood. The drive to start my business ultimately came from wanting to have a stable job that I could do from Haliburton, while also continuing to do what I love. I wanted to further my craft and show the greater community what my passion is,"

Though close to all of Bacik's products are handmade, he also finds joy in work-

ing with technology.
"I just bought a three axis CNC mill [Computer Numerical Control], so I've been able to use that to advance my work and my business," he added.

As of right now, all of Bacik's designs re made out of walnut, a wood he enjoys working with. However, he hopes that eventually he'll be able to broaden his

Bacik is a dedicated, hardworking individual who pays attention to detail when making products for customers.

"The process usually starts off with the raw material, which is a handpicked slab of wood. From there, I cut it down to size on a table saw or compound miter saw, then, depending on the product, I'll either take the bark off first, sand it down, stain it, or I will take it to the CNC and carve

the customer's design into it. From there, I'll fill it with an epoxy resin, then sand and stain it then send it off," said Bacik.

Though Bacik's business is run out of Haliburton, he is open to creating work outside of the area but feels his designs are created for more of a northern Ontario, cottage country style.

"Individuals in cottage country and in northern Ontario who have their home or a second home on a lake, who like natural products and have an eye for detail and custom things are the people my work will speak to most. I'm not keeping my work exclusive to just Haliburton, however my products do reflect more of a northern Ontario lifestyle. Anyone is open to contact me," said Bacik.

Bacik has plans to advance his store from online to in-person shopping as well.

"I definitely want to keep my online store but I'm hopeful that soon I'll be able to supply my work to other local stores and businesses in the area. I'm in the works of talking to some companies in the area about putting some products on their shelves," he said.

In the fall, Bacik will be starting a new journey at George Brown College to study Construction Engineering Technology.

"I chose to advance my studies in this program because, inevitably, I enjoy working with my hands, and I think that it would be a great career path for me. It will definitely be interesting to balance work and, soon, school but anyone who knows me knows that I am someone that is determined. My goal is to see this business grow and to further myself. It's not hard when you're doing something you love and enjoy," said Bacik.

Bacik has received great support from the community and has felt that his business has been welcomed warmly.

"Everybody that I've talked to and heard from, love all the products and love what I'm doing. There have already been custom orders and people seem excited for my work.

"It's important to me that my work is produced in Haliburton because it is home. I grew up spending every summer here, so to say this place is important to me, is an understatement. This community is different from others. Everyone here is really supportive and are always willing to lend a hand. Everyone is welcoming and have always been kind to me," concluded Bacik.

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DATE: Wednesday, September 8th, 2021

TIME: 11:00 am.

LOCATION: The Committee of Adjustment will be held as an electronic meeting only. The meeting will be recorded through the conferencing application and live

streamed to YouTube

APPLICATIONS:

1. D13-MV-2021-001 Minnes

- The following variance is requested to permit a private cabin to be located within the front yard abutting a shoreline on a lot in the Waterfront Residential Type 6L zone:
 - a) A variance to Section 3.1 (d)(i) to permit a private cabin to be located within the front yard abutting a shoreline.
- Location: Part Lot 8 and 9, Concession 11, Part Shore Road Allowance, Part 1, 19R9445 in the geographic Township of Guilford, in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton (1597 Caboodle Lane, Lipsy Lake).

2. D13-MV-2021-021 Shonewille & Lewis

- The following variances are requested to construct a single family dwelling on a lot in the Urban Residential Type 1 (R1) zone:
- a) A decreased to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a dwelling to have a north minimum water setback of 28.1 metres (92 feet) as opposed to the required 30 metres (98.43 feet).
- b) A decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a dwelling to have a north interior side lot line setback of 1.3 metres (4 feet) as opposed to the required 1.5 metres (4.9 feet)
- c) A decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a dwelling to have a front lot line setback of 3.7 metres (12 feet) as opposed to 7.5 metres (24.6 feet).
- Location: Part Lot 18, Concession 8, Lots 4 and 5, Block W, Plan 1, Part 1, 19R6391, Part 2, 19R9230 in the geographic Township of Dysart, in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton (Victoria Street).

3 D13-MV-2021-023 Franko

- The following variance is requested to construct a seasonal dwelling with an increased lot coverage on a lot in the Waterfront Residential Type 4 (WR4) zone:
 - a) An increase to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a lot in the Waterfront Residential Type 4 (WR4) zone to have a maximum lot coverage of 17.3% as opposed to the required maximum of 15%.
- Location: Part Lot 26, Concession 10, Lot 155, Plan 523 in the geographic Township of Harcourt, in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton. (1028

Council passed By-law 2020-69 to amends the Committee of Adjustment of the Municipality of Dysart et al's Procedural By-law to permit electronic participation in meetings. There will not be an in-person meeting; this meeting will be conducted in an electronic format only.

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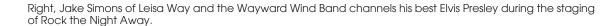
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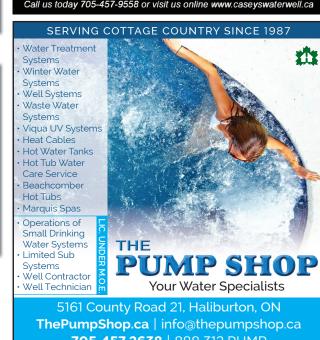
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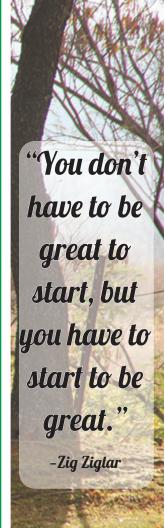
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For more information call 705-457-1742 and ask for the CAPC/CPNPCoordinator.



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Jack Hamilton Bush

(Resident of Haliburton)

Jack's metastatic lung cancer journey came to a comfortable, peaceful end with his death at the hospital in Haliburton. He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Elaine Bell, his sons Chris (Melinda Burton) and Andy (Shanon Bunagan), his daughter Jackie (Don Perkins), and grandchildren Josh

Jack was predeceased by his parents Jack and Mabel Bush, and is survived by his brothers Terry (Kim), Rob (Mary Anne, deceased) and many nieces and nephews.

We would like to acknowledge the wonderful medical care Jack received from so many medical professionals over the past 21 months - Dr. Elena Mihu, oncologists Dr. Gursimran Chandhoke and Dr. Joel Broomfield, the fabulous staff in the Cancer Care Centre at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre, and the doctors and staff at the hospital in Haliburton.

In his working life Jack was an advertising executive, creative director, and writer. He used these talents in many volunteer positions in Toronto and Haliburton. He was known for his smile, his humour, his quiet ways, his creative abilities, his love of the English language and reading, his photography, and his baking, especially his chocolate chip cheesecake and turtle squares. He was surprised at the amount of influence he had on so many lives as expressed in the many notes he received just before he died.

A service will be held at a later date in St. Thomas's Anglican Church on Huron Street in Toronto.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the following organizations, or to a charity of your choice, would be appreciated: Peterborough Regional Health Centre Foundation (https://prhcfoundation.ca/), the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (https://www.hhhs.ca/foundation), the Kinmount and District Health Foundation (https://www. kdhc.ca/kdhsf/), and St. Thomas's Church (https://www.stthomas.on.ca/

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In Loving Memory of

Melissa Jane Preece

Passed away suddenly on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at the age of 45.

Cherished daughter of Elaine Preece of Haliburton and her late father John. Beloved sister to Shannon. Missed dearly by her children Taylor, Jon-

Marco and Jacob. Grandchildren Bella and Jaxson.

Forever in his heart, fiancé Jason.

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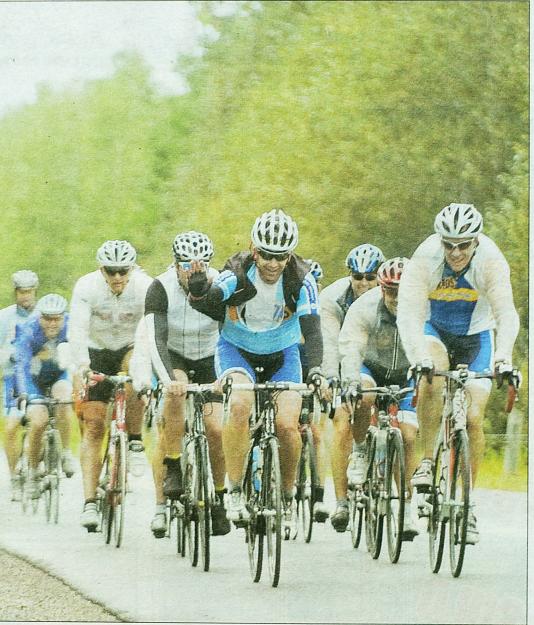
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Doing it for the kids

Darren Lum Echo staff

The train of hope continues to contribute for children with cancer as cyclists ride through the Highlands during the Tour for Kids ride. The event has raised more than \$7 million since it started seven years ago. See the full story on page 24.

Drumming up support

Cross-country tour by Haliburton trio brings in more than \$150,000 for a new school in Angola and there's more to come

Jenn Watt Editor

Drumming eases the mind, touches the soul and can, when performed correctly, bring together communities separated by an ocean and about 11,000 kilometres.

Three of Haliburton County's most prolific drummers - Barry "Bazza" Hayward, Joe Truss and Christine Cullen, also known as the Abbey North Drummers - engaged towns, schools and churches across the country with the beat of their drums and the passion behind their cause: to rebuild a school in Dondi, Angola.

There have been very few circumstances in my life that I have had that experience of easy community," Truss said of the welcoming nature that met the drummers as they moved from town to town raising about \$200,000 and awareness of the project.

Through personal networks, the connections of the United Church of Canada and some pure happenstance, Truss, Hayward and Cullen made their way through 20 towns, playing 40 gigs in 37 days starting May 1.

(Hayward continued on, after returning to Haliburton, to play two weeks out east, bringing the tour's grand total to 40 communities and 50 events in 67 days.)

Their mission - titled the Dondi Project was what got them through the hectic sched-

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see RECORD SETTING page 12



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Linda Baumgartner



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